



Master Sgt. Micheal B. Riley 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne)

Master Sgt. Micheal B. Riley, a Special Forces communications sergeant, assigned to 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne), died June 25, 2019, while engaged in combat operations.

He was deployed in support of Operation Freedom Sentinel serving in Uruzgan Province on his sixth deployment to Afghanistan.

Riley was born Dec. 6, 1986, in Germany. He joined the U.S. Army in March 2006. After completing basic combat training and airborne school, he was assigned to the 112th Special Operations Command Europe Signal Detachment. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2012 and was assigned to 10th SFG (A).



His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters (4 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award (OLC), Army Good Conduct Medal (3), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (3), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2), NATO Medal, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Combat Infantryman Badge, Military Freefall Parachutist Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Driver and Mechanic Badge, and Marine Qualification Badge Expert-Rifle.

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